



## **Satellite Broadcast and Webcast**

Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

### **Cities Readiness Initiative: A National Priority**

A Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) and  
Public Health Training Network Satellite Broadcast and Webcast  
Program website: <http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn/cri/default.asp>

**Save the Date!**

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The Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) is a program to aid cities in increasing their capacity to deliver medication and medical supplies during a large-scale public health emergency, such as a bioterrorism attack. This initiative focuses on a very specific element of preparedness – the ability to distribute medication to a population in a specified time period. CRI is a collaborative, multi-jurisdictional effort between local, state, county, and federal authorities that transcends jurisdictional boundaries. CRI began in 2004 with 21 pilot cities, expanded in 2005 to 36 cities, and increased in 2006 to 72 cities, allowing the program to extend into all 50 states. This broadcast is designed to give an overview of CRI for preparedness planners and city officials. This program will serve as the CRI Executive Brief and will be archived both on the internet and in CD ROM and VHS format for future viewing. A question and answer session will enable participants nationwide to pose questions to panelists.

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#### **Goal**

To assist city leaders and planners in understanding the goals of and their roles in CRI.

#### **Objectives**

Upon successful completion of the program, participants will be able to:

- Define the Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI)
- Describe the roles of the United States Postal Service and the United States Marshals Service in CRI
- State two goals for city planners participating in CRI
- Describe how CRI funding is determined
- Describe the assessment process for cities involved in CRI

#### **Intended Audiences**

Governors, executive decision makers, city and state directors of health, city and state bioterrorism coordinators, city and state directors of homeland security, emergency managers, directors of public safety/police, county commissioners, county health directors, county sheriffs, mayors, city police chiefs, state and local SNS planners, and other city and state government leaders.

#### **Site Registration Information**

Site registration will soon be available through *CDC/ATSDR Training and Continuing Education Online* at <http://www2a.cdc.gov/phtnonline>